1st January 1946 and it is estimated that the expenditure for 1946 will be Rs. 4,050. Half of this amount is to be contributed by the Government. There is no provision for this in the current year's budget. Hence the necesity for an additional allotment of Rs. 2,025 under "6-Co-operative Societies—Grant for the Development of Co-operative Marketing of Copra."

Demand put and carried

7. 25-Arurveda

Mr. Parambi Lonappen *(Minister for Rural Development):* I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 2,284 under "25-Ayurveda". At present there are no regular nurses attached to the hospitals of the Ayurveda Department. It has been found imperatively necessary to post a few nurses in the Ayurvedic Hospitals. Therefore it is decided to train up sixteen nurses at two batches of eight each. The training is proposed to be commenced immediately for a period of eight months with the first batch of eight pupil nurses. At the time when the budget was framed this scheme was not contemplated and so provision could not be made in the budget. Hence an additional amount of Rs. 2,284—0—0 is necessary under "25-Ayurveda". I request that the allotment may be granted.

Demand put and carried

8. 26-A-2-Rural Sanitation—Works

Mr. Parambi Lonappen *(Minister for Rural Development):* I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 4,100 under "26-A-2-Rural Sanitation Works". Representations have been received from the people of Mulavukad regarding the difficulties they are undergoing for want of public latrines. It is proposed to construct 3 latrines in Mulavukad at a cost of Rs. 4,500. There is no provision for this work in the budget. A savings of Rs. 400 has been made available by deleting a less urgent item of work from the Public Health Budget. As the construction of latrines cannot be postponed to next year an additional allotment of Rs. 4,100, is necessary under "26-A-2-Rural Sanitation Works".

In this connection I wish to make a further statement. There is a cut motion tabled by the Hon'ble Member for Vadakkancheri. I wish to make a statement regarding that. When the original estimate was prepared for the construction of these latrines the estimate came to Rs. 4,500. Government wanted to see that any savings should be effected. The construction of latrines was included in the Public Health Department Budget, and there was a recommendation that Rs. 400 could be saved by postponing the construction of ponds, compound walls, fencing, etc., at Viyyur. The amount came to Rs. 400. So it was found that the item of expenditure was not very urgent and it was ordered to be postponed. Now, on further scrutiny it was found that the proposed latrines can be constructed at Rs. 4,100. The Director of Public Health assures that there shall be much tender deduction and therefore he will be able to construct the proposed latrines at Rs. 4,100 and also at the same time to carry on the fencing of the trenching ground at Viyyur. Therefore I pray that this additional allotment may be granted.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* In view of the statement made by the Hon'ble Minister I do not press the cut.

Demand put and carried

9. 26-A-2-Rural Sanitation—Works—Anti-malarial oprations

Mr. Parambi Lonappen *(Minister for Rural Development)* : I rise to move for an additional allotment of Rs. 16,125 under "26-A-2-Rural Sanitation Antimalarial operations". With a view to eradicating malaria from the Nelliampathies, it is proposed to construct cer ain temporary sluices every year for some time to come so that a permanent scheme may be planned based upon the result obtained, from temporary constructions. A sum of Rs. 10,000 will be necessary for the construction of temporary sluices. The cost of materials for adult mosquito spraying will come to Rs. 3,125. A further sum of Rs. 3,000 will be required for the Paris Green to be purchased. The question of taking up the work was definitely settled only after the budget for 1121 was passed. Hence no provision could be made in the budget for these items. An additional allotment of Rs. 16,125 is therefore necessary under "26-A-2-Rural Sanitation—Antimalarial operations." I request that the House may be pleased to grant the demand.

Mr A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Tattamangalam):* Is the temporary sluices constructed last year are working properly?

Mr. Parambi Lonappen *(Minister for Rural Development):* They are washed away at the time of floods.

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